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MEYER'S HOME MASS OF RUINS

Destroyed by Fire Sunday Night
with Loss of about
\$1500

On Sunday night about ten o'clock the home of Julius Meyer, sheriff of Torrance county, was destroyed by fire, the supposition being that an exploding lamp was the cause. The family had retired for the night to be awakened by outsiders breaking in the door of the house. The building was already in flames, but the family escaped unharm. Willing hands carried the furniture from the lower story saving this.

A lamp had been left burning in the front upper room and it is supposed that the fire was started there. The house was completely ruined, and it was only with difficulty that the fire was kept from spreading. Had the wind been blowing at that hour as it was shortly after a number of other buildings would doubtless have burned also.

Mr. Meyer carried insurance in the sum of one thousand dollars, but the loss will exceed this amount.

Line Pipe is Here

The new linepipe for the artesian well arrived this week and was unloaded yesterday. It is expected that the work of drilling will be resumed at once, the well has reached a depth of about six hundred feet, and has been cased all the way down. The drill is in solid rock, having just passed through a pocket in the same. While nothing definite can be foretold for certain, it is predicted by those who are best acquainted with the details, that something interesting will appear as soon as this stratum of rock is pierced.

New Time Card

The New Mexico Central has announced a change in train service effective next Monday. A straight passenger train will be put on, leaving Torrance just after the arrival there of the Rock Island Limited, arriving in Santa Fe at 3 p. m. Going south the passenger train will leave Santa Fe at 4:15 arriving at Torrance at 9:15. The time card announces the north bound train due in Estancia at 12:42 p. m. and the south bound at 6:45 p. m. Neither train will stop here for meals.

A freight train which will also carry passengers will leave Santa Fe Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:30 a. m. and Estancia at 1:15 p. m. Going north the freight will leave Torrance Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7:20 a. m. and Estancia at 10:20 a. m.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following warranty deeds have been filed with the probate clerk of Torrance county for record this week:

Harley L. Clark to Geo. M. Huston, lots 13 and 14 block 14, amended plat of Mountainair, consideration \$1500.

J. I. Rawson to F. A. Chamberlee, south part of block 29, Alta Vista, consideration \$50.00

Bonifacio Salas to W. H. Robinson, lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19, block 3, East Addition to Encino, consideration \$190.

Going to the Fair

The Estancia valley of New Mexico is coming to El Paso en masse to attend the El Paso fair this fall. Notice to this effect has been sent secretary Rous from the New Mexico valley and arrangements are being made to have an extensive exhibit of Estancia valley grown products at the fair.

"The best valley in New Mexico is coming to El Paso to back our statements as to the greatness of this section," the letter reads. "We grow the best potatoes in the world and we are going to show you folks down the line how potatoes are grown. Accompanying estimates of the value of potatoes at 1000 yards and we will be shipping potatoes out of here by the train load this year. When we get there with our potatoes you fellows can learn what really good spuds taste like."—El Paso Herald.

Still Waiting

A report has been current around town that Jesse McGhee had joined the ranks of the bachelors, and was no longer a forlorn bachelor. It appears that this rumor has reached the ears of Mr. McGhee, who is at present in Globe, Arizona, who has written a friend here in Estancia, among other things to "be sure to tell the girls that I am still a poor lonely bachelor waiting for some sweet little to make life's rugged pathway smoother for me." While this is not leap year it is understood that Jesse will not object to used little formalities.

E. Y. P. U. Program

May 23, 1909
Leader, Jack Tuttle
Subject, Great Characters—Barnabas
Song
Scripture reading, 1 Cor. 3.
Prayer.
Papers, "Lessons from Barnabas." 1. The man who could help people by his words, Miss Jackson. 2. The man who knew how to lead and put himself to work, Miss Henderson. 3. The man who was always useful, Miss McMurphy. 4. The man who engaged and helped people, Miss Smith. 5. "Men of Modern Barnabas," Fred Tuttle.
Song.
Dismissed.

Sudden Death

Harry Bosworth, an employe of the New Mexico Central at Estancia died last Friday night of hemorrhage, while walking across the railroad yards. He had just eaten supper and was returning to the car where he had his bunk, having purchased a magazine to read. Apparently the hemorrhage came on him with out warning of any kind. His body was found by a boy, who reported to Agent Kennedy. Mr. Kennedy made an investigation and summoned medical help at once, but it was too late. The remains were prepared for shipment and on Saturday sent to the mother at Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. Bosworth was a faithful employe, his work being entirely satisfactory to his superiors. He numbered all his acquaintances as friends, the boys, especially his fellow workers at the shops, performing the few acts of kindness possible, as if for a brother.

LEGAL FIGHT ON GRANT TRUSTEES

Tajique Grant Election Tied Up
in District Court on Fraud
Charges

On Tuesday of this week Judge Braxton heard a case from Tajique, arising over the recent election held at that place for the selection of trustees for the Tajique Land Grant. For some time past, it has been the custom for anyone who had an interest in the Grant to vote at such elections, regardless of whether such interest was by inheritance or residence. In recent years the legislature has created a new law governing such Land Grants, stating the qualifications as both inheritance and residence.

At the election held at Tajique on May 3, 1909, it is alleged that several parties voted under the old custom, who held rights through inheritance, but were at that time residing outside the limits of the grant. It is further alleged that the law was called to the attention of the election judges that these were not qualified voters. One of the judges was not in favor of accepting the votes, while the other two were, and did accept such votes. As a result the two judges have been hailed into court on the charge of accepting illegal votes.

Almost all the able bodied citizens of Tajique were in Estancia Tuesday to attend the trial, either as witnesses or from personal interest. Fred H. Ayers and C. R. Easley represented the prosecution, and E. F. Jennings the defense. After one witness had been placed on the stand, and the defense failed to get its evidence before the court, as it desired, the defendants gave bond to appear before the grand jury, rather than continue the case here.

Back of all this there is rumored to be a fight for the timber on the Grant, which is said to be the real bone of contention. It appears that the old board of trustees had closed a deal for the timber on the Grant, which act was at once nullified by the new board, or was to have been at their first meeting, as the new board desired to see other parties profit by the timber from the Grant. Whether this is the case or not cannot be stated definitely, but there promises to be a pretty legal fight before the affair is settled.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

Rev. R. Carver will preach at Moriarty next Sunday evening.

Randolph Carver preached at Moriarty last Sunday morning and at Stanely in the evening.

Rev. Randolph Carver will preach at the M. E. Church on Sunday morning. All are invited.

The Westminster Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Harvey Jackson next Wednesday afternoon, May 16th.

The social given by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church at McIntosh last Saturday was a success in every way.

Contractor Bash is rushing the work on the school building. The roof is being put on, and the partition walls being placed in position.

Teachers Urged to Attend N. E. A.

Las Vegas, N. M., May 13, 1909.

Dear Sir:
For the first time in fourteen years the National Education Association will hold its great convention in an adjoining state and it seems to me that there are many reasons why all loyal citizens of New Mexico should desire a large delegation of teachers and friends of education from our Territory.

I enumerate below some of the items that may be of interest to your readers and hope that you will feel that you can give considerable space to interesting the people of your community in this great gathering.

The meeting will be held in Denver, Col., July 5 to 9. The Brown Palace Hotel has been chosen as headquarters of the Association.

New Mexico and Arizona will establish joint headquarters in Room 431 of the Brown Palace. All visitors from our Territory are urged to use this room freely and to wear a New Mexico badge all the time they are in Colorado.

Rates on the various railroads are very good. The Santa Fe has made a rate of one fare plus two dollars for the round trip. Colorado roads have made very low rates from Denver to points of interest in the state and return.

We are planning to have a special car for the New Mexico delegation from Albuquerque, leaving there, probably, on the 14th of July. Persons desiring to ride in this car should apply to R. R. Larkin, Director.

This is the greatest educational gathering in the western hemisphere if not in the world.

A large delegation of educational folk from New Mexico ought to help our Statehood chances.

No teacher ought to expect promotion who does not have enough interest in the broader aspects of education to go to this meeting. It is the opportunity of a lifetime for us to attend the national meeting at small expense.

Yours very truly,

R. R. Larkin, Director.

Methodist Church Notes.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid Society was held at the home of Mrs. Johnson Pence on Wednesday afternoon. It was both an enjoyable and interesting occasion. The next meeting will be with Mrs. John Collier. The Ladies voted to have a hard finish white coat of plaster put on the walls of the Church building, intending shortly to carpet the floor and add in several ways to the appearance of the room.

Services on next Sunday night will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. M. Steele. Subject of the sermon will be: "What Christianity Means."

The growth of our Sunday School is encouraging. Last Sunday witnessed the largest attendance this year.

Don't forget the mid-week song service.

Mass, Next Monday.

Mass will be celebrated at the house of Celestino Ortiz, over the grocery, on next Monday, May 24, Rev. Father Bessett of Santa Fe officiating.

CENTRAL TO RESUME WORK

Sale of Bonds Insures Funds for
Completion of Hagen
Branch

Advices from Pittsburg indicates that prospects are exceedingly bright for the early resumption of work on the New Mexico Central line from Moriarty to the Hagen coal fields and from Frost junction to Albuquerque.

Operations on the new line have been delayed, pending the disposition of the bonds recently issued by the company. Mr. W. S. Hopewell, chairman of the board, of the New Mexico Central, is now in Pittsburg to deliver the bonds to the trustee, and it is expected that work will be recommenced shortly after his return to Albuquerque.

Superintendent of Construction R. J. Vanstan has a force of men on the ground and the Dominion Construction company is ready to start work practically at a moment's notice.

It is expected that within two weeks dirt will be flying on the portion of the road connecting the Hagen coal mines with the main line. The company has practically inexhaustible supplies of a good quality, of fuel in sight, and arrangements have already been made to market it when the road is finished. One contract with an El Paso concern calls for five hundred tons of Hagen coal daily, and many similar contracts have been booked by the company. —Morning Journal.

Memorial Day Proclamation

Pursuant to custom and in honor of the soldiers, living and dead, of the North and of the South, who served in the Civil war, I, George Curry, Governor of the Territory of New Mexico, do hereby designate Monday, May 31, 1909, as Memorial Day and a legal holiday in the Territory of New Mexico.

To the soldiers of the Civil war is this country indebted for the peace and safety it enjoys, as well as for the proud position it occupies among the nations of the world; and to these soldiers is due the nation's deepest gratitude.

Therefore, I recommend that on Memorial Day, New Mexicans suspend their usual routine of work, as far as practicable; that they join with the patriotic societies in services in honor of the country's dead; that the teachers in the public schools arrange to devote a day for suitable exercises and lessons, which shall inculcate in the minds of the youth the true purposes of Memorial Day.

Done at the Executive Office this 17th day of May, A. D. 1909.

Witness my hand and the great seal of the Territory of New Mexico.

By the Governor:
(Seal.) GEORGE CURRY.
NATHAN JAFFA, Secretary of New Mexico.

Waltzers Tie

The dance on Tuesday night given by Messrs. Cassidy and Burruss proved an interesting event. The prize offered for the best waltzers was decided a tie between Miss Angle and Mr. Burruss, and Miss Lobb and Mr. Norman.

Boost a Bit.

Here, you discontented knocker,
Growlin' 'bout the country's ills;
Chloroform yer dismal talker;
Take a course o' liver pills.
Stop yer darn ki-o-tee howlin'
Chaw some sand an' git some grit;
Don't sit in the dumps o-growlin',
Jump the roost
An' boost
A bit!

"Fall in while she band's a-playin'
Ketch the step an' march along—
'Steard o' pessimistic brayin',
Jine the halleluyer song!
Drop yer hammer—do some rootin'—
Grab a horn, you cuss, an' split
Every echo with yer tootin';
Jump the roost
An' boost
A bit!"

—Stolen from another paper that did the same. —Mounds (Okla.) Enterprise

Grandma Dunlavy Called Away.

A large number of the old-timers in Estancia will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Jane A. Dunlavy at Trinidad, Colorado, on last Friday. At the time of her death she had reached the age of almost three score years. A large family, six sons and five daughters, among them Wilbur A. Dunlavy of Wiliard, and James P. Dunlavy, of Mountainair, mourn her departure.

Mrs. Dunlavy was a native of Pennsylvania, coming to Colorado at an early date, where she spent the remainder of her life. Funeral services were conducted by the pastor of the M. E. Church on Sunday, the body being laid to rest beside that of her husband, who had preceded her in to the great beyond almost ten years ago.

Additional Local

George Endicott and son, Roy, came in on yesterday's train from Newkirk, Okla.

Mrs. Laws and daughter, Lella, of McIntosh were in Estancia yesterday shopping.

R. R. Nelson of Willard was looking after business affairs in the county seat yesterday.

Editor Forbes of the Willard Record looked after business matters in the county seat last Saturday.

Elder D. T. Broadus of Moriarty, filled his regular appointment at the local Church of Christ last Sunday.

The Leaderstore is receiving a fresh coat of paint throughout the interior this week, Mizell doing the work.

D. M. Galusha, representing the Western Newspaper Union of Oklahoma City, was in Estancia the first of the week, on business for that firm. This is Mr. Galusha's first trip through the valley.

J. M. Terry and D. W. Lyon, who assisted the Willard team in winning the ball game from the Vaughn Boys last Sunday report a splendid trip. Terry had invested in city property at Vaughn and took this opportunity of looking over his purchases.